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To Our Alumnae

IT IS WITH A FEELING of genuine pride that I greet our Alumnae. To make it more personal I can sincerely say it is also with a feeling of affection. Your Alma Mater tried to instill in you a spirit of service and coöperation and as I travel over the state visiting alumnae groups I find everywhere I go that our girls are civic minded and outstanding in their communities. An institution of learning has to be more than brick and mortar. To live in the lives of its students it must have a spirit; and I feel and believe you join with me in the statement that your Alma Mater does have a spirit, and that its atmosphere is one of friendliness and an affectionate interest in the students and alumnae.

For nearly twenty-five years you have been given an opportunity to show your interest in the college by coöperating in an effort to raise funds for our Student Building. This was a big undertaking and I am glad to say it is paid for. There are so many things we need that we can't use state funds for. We have, therefore, established what we call a Founders Day Fund. We are using some of that small fund now in beautifying Longwood. It is a beautiful place but can be made still more beautiful. This is our project at the present time. We have contracted to spend \$7500.00, going in debt \$2500.00. Faith in our alumnae and students made me willing to go in debt to accomplish now this plan of landscaping work and road construction. Your individual gift, as well as chapter gifts, will be used to pay the salary of our Alumnae Secretary, which is a really necessary service. We must keep in touch with the alumnae. Our Founders Day Fund is built up by gifts from student organizations and faculty.

Founders Day, as you know, is on the Saturday nearest the seventh of March. It is always a pleasant day for me. Many of our old girls are back at that time and we try to make it a real homecoming and have you feel that your Alma Mater is home to you. I hope you are going to be with us.

Affectionately,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. J. Gannon," with a long, sweeping underline.



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In Retrospect . . . Our Teachers

(EDITORIAL)

By SARA CLINE—Class '42

“While we dwelt within thy gracious portals;
While our minds and hearts were tuned by thee;
Thou didst ever tune each one for service,
Knowing that this is the golden key.”

THESE WORDS, written by Mrs. Edith Estep Gray, '20, put into verbal expression the continual influence of our teachers. The present world crisis has made us especially aware of the significant role of the teacher by its resounding cry that the schools shall rededicate themselves to effective citizenship training if we are to succeed in protecting our democracy.

In recognizing the individual achievements of our alumnae, we feel a growing consciousness that the spirit of Farmville's teachers still permeates their lives and that they have used the key of service which was so freely imparted to each. From our teachers' knowledge, we have drunk; in their experiences, we have shared; and by the light of their knowledge, we have seen into the hitherto closed portals of art, literature, science, and music. They have promoted within us such attitudes as consideration for others, a sense of responsibility for the common good, respect for personal property, co-operation involving discussion and free give-and-take—in a word, the basic attitudes of a democratic way of life. Theirs has been a spurring, progressing, attaining influence.

As teachers to future teachers, they impart the weight of responsibility and dependency, and the challenge of an eager, expectant world. To meet these demands, they give wholeheartedly of their experience, time, and untiring energy.

The application of George Eliot's "blessed influence of one true loving soul on another" is but right and fitting as an expression of our teachers' vast influence in our lives.

Personalities We Remember at Farmville

To the staff of the
Alumnae Magazine:

I AM GLAD to have an opportunity to express through this organ of our association an appreciation of the teacher who stands out in my memory as one who gave me inspiration to seek a larger field of service and who offered ways of attaining the goal she helped me set up. Since we are primarily concerned here at Farmville with educating teachers, it is well that we stop to reflect now and then upon the qualities that go to make great teachers.

The selection of the teacher who influenced me most during the four years I spent at Farmville is a comparatively easy matter, for she stands out as the one who made me believe in my own ability to accomplish what I set out to do. She knew how to be a good friend without sentimentality; how to encourage and yet to show disapproval of anything less than the best effort from her students; how to smile through discouraging experiences in laboratory work, and how to put the grit of determination into the one whose experiment didn't come out right at first. She was learned in the classroom without being pedantic; her scientific approach and attack upon problems seemed to carry over into other subjects, especially in the allied fields. Her sense of humor was delightful and the radiance of her countenance today bespeaks a life that has found real happiness in the service of helping

others to find greater freedom through seeking and finding the truth. When I say to you that she is still, as hostess in her home at "Memory Lane" near Charlottesville, a student and a scholar, and that she talks about interesting things with that same charming lisp we used to enjoy in her class, you will know that my ideal teacher was Miss Fannie Littleton, now Mrs. Linus Ward Kline.

Mary Peck.

So Du Blois Milledge was in Farmville. I wish I could have seen him. I'd like to tell him what a wonderful teacher his father was, and how his instruction during the four years I was at Farmville impressed me. Without a doubt he was the greatest teacher I ever knew. He made me think, and for that I shall always be thankful. He explained the causes of day and night and the change of seasons so that I saw the spheres act right up before me in the planetary system—a thing I never believed until his lucid illustrations made me see reason behind the great plan of the universe.

Often I have thought of him in this day of "revised curriculum." He taught everything! In his classes I learned to appreciate the language arts, for his lectures were real literature to me, and his study of nature with us gave him opportunity to quote nature poets on the slightest provocation. Who could hear him quote lines from "The Chambered Nautilus" or say his favorite gem, "Flower in the

Crannied Wall," without being moved to consider the depth of the man's soul! And do you remember his chapel talks? He prophesied the chaos of this, our time, but we students did not know that he had learned his history in Europe—even in the country that produced a Martin Luther and a Hitler, nor did we grasp the breadth of his knowledge and vision.

As to his methods, I'm sure I cannot describe them. He probably had none. He gave no examinations, and he required little written work, but he knew pretty well who was following him, and who did the reading necessary to understand the lectures. I don't remember having a text book in his class, but I do recall borrowing books from him and reading some thrilling books from the library, that he recommended. His wit was clever, and he sometimes used it to chastise a student for inattention or lack of preparation. I never heard him scold. His facts in geography and the nature study he taught have lived on in my experience with students and something of the teacher lives on in me too. I wonder how he learned to make folks think.

(An excerpt from a letter written by Rebekah Peck.)

It is a privilege to say in public some of the things I have long thought about Miss Celeste Parrish as a teacher and friend. Perchance some young girl, standing where I stood many years ago, may read this simple story of a life that was nobly lived and say, "I, too, can make my life worth while and the world better because I lived in it." And now, as I look back across the years and try to estimate what it

was about her that brought me and many another girl to an intellectual awakening, that quickened and stimulated us to our highest and best efforts, that went with us in after years and gave us courage to "follow the gleam," that held us to her in a reverent and everlasting friendship—I think it must have been, most of all, her absolute honesty. First, in an intellectual sense, to be true to a teaching exercise in arithmetic required, in her mind, that one bring to it all the breadth of vision and all the wisdom she could get from books and thought. So, to hear her teach arithmetic was to us something new, and wonderful, and true. No part of my education has meant more to me than her courses in arithmetic, algebra, and geometry. Her absolute honesty made her often stern and unyielding. She had little patience with pupils who would not live up to her standard; and it was just because this standard was so rare and so high, and so perfectly embodied in her life that it became to many of us a thing alive, vital, and self-perpetuating. Second, the sincerity of her dealing with her fellows matched her intellectual honesty. Again it was truth, always and only. And no friend was truer. Her friendship was always an unfailing asset. Added to this honesty was her forgetfulness of self. Other and larger things possessed her life. What influence a word of hers might have on her own personal fortune mattered not at all. If it seemed best to say what was absolutely true, regardless of how it might affect her own personal interest, it was said. I do not remember ever hearing her allude to her own fortunes or troubles.

She moved in the large. It was a continual wonder to me that one with

so wide a vision could be so keenly interested in, and such a real friend to her pupils. There are many in Virginia and Georgia who felt a sudden sense of deep personal sorrow when the news came that Miss Parrish was gone. For these I am spokesman; most of them I do not know, but I feel that we all know there has "passed away a glory from the earth," a woman of broad vision and high standards, of great tenderness and human kindness; one who loved us as we loved her.

(This is an excerpt from an article written by Mrs. Fannie Littleton Kline for the "Focus" — October-November 1918 issue.)

Life is like a masterpiece of art; it must have certain lights, shadows, and distances in order to give the proper perspective. Youth may have many advantages over age, yet youth cannot, as age does, fully comprehend the true values of life.

Now, that I have come to years of appreciation, I know what a privilege it was to be a pupil of Miss Lula Ocille Andrews. In my memory she is a woman of noble and classic brow—a woman with such an overpowering personality that one meeting alone would have left indelible impression on my soul. Who can estimate the worth of daily contact with her for three successive years?

I recall that at all times she was perfectly groomed. In contrast with her appearance, untidiness seemed a sin.

She was keenly alert to all the niceties of social life; to all of those men-

tal and moral graces which we sum up in the word culture.

Miss Andrews knew English grammar. She taught the subject with the skill and enthusiasm of an artist. She was an artist. Her teaching led me not only to understand grammar, but also to love it.

She knew the Bible. No other teacher of this great book ever succeeded in making it appear to me more real, more entertaining, or more inspiring.

She was a musician. Just to recall our assemblies where she played the marches and the hymns, still awakens in my being a stirring symphony.

She knew human nature, especially the soul of a growing girl. Her personal words of appreciation and encouragement, and her praise of a theme well written, challenged me to do my best. That's why her photograph hangs in my hall of fame. That's why I treasure among my household goods all the letters she ever wrote me, and all the themes I ever prepared for her English Classes. They are as sacred to me as my love-letters.

In teaching literature Miss Andrews was notably successful. It was under her guidance that I first became aware of "something lost behind the ranges." The trail to which she guided my feet has led to many happy lands.

As I look about me in my gallery of memories, I see a few of life's pictures in a glorious setting. I see the soul of Miss Lula Andrews as majestic as her brow. Her life is indeed a masterpiece. Eternity alone can measure the reach of her ennobling influence.

Carrie Lee Martin (1904)
(Mrs. Lewis Gravely Pedigo)

Farmville State Teachers College is a rich college. We think of the classic beauty of the buildings that had their beginnings in the center group more than a hundred years ago; we may think also of the distant sweep of landscape against the western sky as seen from stately Longwood's porches at sunset; but more valuable than all else is the cumulative influence of those who have lived here for more than one college generation and have left the imprint of their lives upon the place. One of these rare spirits is Mrs. Bessie C. Jamison. She is a woman of queenly presence. In appearance lovely—keen, kind brown eyes, clear-as-alabaster cheeks, soft white hair; in dress, always perfectly groomed; in manner and bearing, dignified. Unhurried in her step, she, one of the busiest people on the campus, always managed to create an atmosphere of leisure—a grateful service in these days of restless hurry. She is known for the beauty and perfection of everything she touches—from the dainty handiwork in her gifts to friends, to the achievement of a serenity of mind and spirit that was a constantly steadying influence on her friends here. Into the gracious hospitality of her room, they would gather for a game of bridge, or for talk and fancy work together. Mrs. Jamison's love of books furnished one delightful source of conversation always. But whatever the subject, the friends went away from these evening visits refreshed in spirit. So we think of her

as one of the spiritual assets of our college—deeply graven, as she is, in the memory of those to whom it was given to know her well.

Mary Clay Hiner.

Across many years, like a golden thread winding through the memories, that make precious the close and affectionate associations and experiences linked with the life of the college is my memory of Mr. Benjamin M. Cox. He was the first person I met when I alighted from a late train arriving in Farmville just as twilight threw its shadows over the little town. To the old girls returning to school, he gave affectionate greetings; to me and other new girls, he gave a cordial welcome. He guided us through Main Street to the "Normal School" and saw us safely within its walls.

For me in the days and years that followed, he continued to be a guide; and he became a counselor and friend. His sympathetic interest in the students of the school, his discerning judgment, his keen sense of humor, his love of out-of-doors, his devotion to children—of all these I could give many interesting incidents.

Often now when the stress of the time grows tense within me, I go to the treasurer's office to look into the face of his portrait and gain help once more as I did years ago. His spirit is, indeed, yet within our college.

Pauline Camper.

Reunion Classes

MANY GIRLS braved the snowy, bad weather last year to attend their Class reunions. Old pictures, new pictures of husband and family and old annuals were passed around and it was real fun. Miss Maude Trevvett and (Mrs.) Blanche Gilliam Putney of the Class of 1891 were here to celebrate their fiftieth anniversary! Much credit is due to (Mrs.) Louise Ford Waller and (Mrs.) Carrie Hunter Willis for having the largest representation here of their Class of 1911. (Mrs.) Helen Gray Vance, her husband and (Mrs.) Mary Dornin Stant drove from Bristol, Tennessee, to represent the Class of 1916.

Two honorary members of the Alumnae Association, still teaching at Farmville, received recognition for fifty years of service to our Alma Mater. This recognition of Miss Coulling and Miss Rice came in the form of a book of testimonials from the Alumnae and Faculty. On Founders Day gold pendants of the College seal were presented to them. Mrs. Blanche Gilliam Putney and Miss Maude Trevvett, representing the Class of 1891, also received gold seal pendants from the Alumnae Association.

This year the Classes of 1892, 1902, 1912, 1917, 1922, and 1932 will hold reunions. Who could fail to respond to the following letters?

Class of 1892

My dear Alumnae and Classmates:

Among the other Class Reunions of Founders Day, March 7, 1942, will be the golden jubilee reunion of the February and June Classes of 1892. As many alumnae of these Classes as possible are urgently requested to be present on this occasion. A warm welcome awaits you from our Alma Mater who always has outstretched arms to gather in her children; especially those who sought her training, guidance, and inspiration during the early years of her existence.

During the years intervening between the period of our sojourn in the

halls of the old State Normal School of Farmville, Virginia, and the present dynamic age there have been many changes in the world, the institution and our own mentalities; but the principles of liberty, justice, fellowship, and coöperation, learned there will live on forever in our consciousness.

So, dear girls, as many of you as possible, do come back to this reunion and join together in a pleasant visit to the haunts of our girlhood and happy (or otherwise) reminiscences.

Your former Classmate,
Louise Twelvetrees Hamlett.

Class of 1902

My dear Classmates:

It has been an awfully long time since we roamed the campus, walked to Uncle Pat's in the afternoon for a nickel's worth of candy, and in the evening, right after supper, went eagerly into Mrs. Morrison's (Aunt Portia's) living room to hear her read to us Ellen Glasgow's "The Voice of the People."

But classmates, let's span the years, and once again as many as possibly can, come back to our Alma Mater.

I know that we are all anxious to see Dr. Jarman again, whose first year of S. T. C. was our last.

We want to see all the new and wonderful improvements that have taken place since we were Students of the Normal School.

I look forward with much pleasure to meeting the Class of 1902 on Founder's Day, March 7, 1942.

Very sincerely,

(Mrs.) Georgia Bryan Hutt.

Class of 1912

Dear Members of Class of 1912:

This is the year for our Class to have a reunion. We don't like to think how long it has been, so we won't mention years. We are writing to urge as many of you as possible to return for Founder's Day on Saturday, March 7, 1942.

This is Dr. Jarman's fortieth anniversary as president, and we are anxious to make it a real occasion. Let's each one do her part to have the Class of 1912 well represented on Founder's Day.

Hoping that the years have been happy ones for all, and that we can "compare notes" in the spring, we are,

Sincerely yours,

Leta Randolph Christian, Pres.
Louise Geddy Mackie (Mrs.)

Dear Classmates of 1912:

March 7th means another Founder's Day has rolled around. It means that thirty years have passed since we left State Teachers College and during that time many things have happened to each of us which should be shared at our reunion.

Then, too, not only do we celebrate our anniversary but we share the honors with Dr. Jarman, our beloved President, who has served so faithfully for forty years.

Don't forget the date. Come share in the fun and be "girls" on our ole Alma Mater grounds. For all of us I know it would be a real home coming.

Sincerely yours,

Eunice Watkins Wood (Mrs.)

NOTE: Class of 1912!

J. Merritt Lear, honorary member of the Class of 1912, will be here. He is now teaching at the University of North Carolina. He writes that he will bring his annual to prove by his picture that he once had hair.

Class of 1917

Dear Classmates:

Mrs. Coyner reminded me in a letter not so long ago that this year celebrates our twenty-fifth anniversary

since graduation. Wouldn't it be fun to meet again Founder's Day and see how many of us still recognize each other; find out just what we've done

with those twenty-five years, and, at the same time, see what has happened at Farmville since we left. Would that we could all boast of the same proportionate growth (not middle age variety but spiritually, mentally, and physically.)

Personally, I've done only the commonplace — taught, married, raised a family (no prodigies!)—grown gray of hair, scarce of teeth, full around the hips, and still hope my girls will go to Farmville!

I'm wondering tho' if we don't have some poetess, authoress or great personage from our Class of 1917? Come across, girls, join the crowd Founder's Day and have a real get-together; let

your hair down and tell the worst and best there is to tell!

As I write this I think back and as names and faces come before me, I'm wondering where you are and what you're doing. We think we grow away from people but we don't—all we need is a reminder or meeting old friends to know the bond still holds.

Write Mrs. Coyner that you're coming. This same bulletin gives the date. I, for one, will be there and will look for you. In the meantime, good luck and as Tiny Tim says, "God Bless You."

Sincerely,
Virginia Mayo Stratton
(Mrs. Richard)

Class of 1922

Dear Classmates of 1922:

Greetings to all three of you! Surely we alone hold a record which we are neither ashamed of nor anxious to have repeated at Alma Mater—that of being the smallest class ever to be graduated from Farmville. In fact, I suspect that they were rather glad to have us at all, since, as the third degree class, we represented a continuity of Dr. Jarman's two-year old experiment in changing a "Normal School" into a "Teachers' College." Anyway, I've always felt we claimed a rather special place in his affections—as if he wanted to be sure that we really were there. In fact, several of us simply wouldn't have been there except for his opening new doors of economic opportunities for us at the last minute. Degrees were luxuries in those days, not professional necessities as today, and the average salary of a two-year graduate in a high school position was

good or better than most degree graduates begin with now.

I'm in hopes that we are going to set another record this March by having one hundred per cent present at our reunion. With Mary Finch and myself already on the premises, we hope the remaining fifty per cent, Carrie and Annie, can manage to leave their respective attractions for a real class reunion. Being all at that rather dangerous and sensitive age at which life begins, we'll be particularly careful not to name our own anniversary, in hopes that it may be overlooked by others, (though I feel that I should frankly warn you that with Ruth Coyner and Mary Peck in charge, you must not be too optimistic. "Misery loves company.")

So do try to be here and we'll all be delightfully consoling to each other.

Mildred Dickinson Davis.

Note: The diploma class of 1922 is invited back for their reunion, too!

Class of 1932

No letter has been received from the class of 1932. However, the following news items came in from Louise Clayton and Mrs. Clyde Rawls (Grace Virginia Woodhouse):

Nancy Boykins, Mrs. L. C. Harrell, Jr., Emporia, Virginia, has one boy four years old.

Martha Baker, Emporia, Virginia. Has been teaching there up until this year.

Rhetta Hardy. Married Ensign Blackwell of the U. S. Navy. Has two children. Ensign Blackwell is now stationed on a submarine vessel in the Pacific.

Katherine Claud, Mrs. Robert Stewart, Suffolk. One little girl (Kay).

Lucy Fitzgerald, Crewe. Teaching in Deep Creek High School.

Ruth Floyd, Erie, Penn. Gave up teaching last spring to study Interior Decorating in New York City.

Hazel Holloway, Mrs. T. G. Thompson, Alexandria, Virginia. Teacher in Fairfax County.

Lillian Shepherd, Mrs. Barlow, Bluefield, West Virginia.

Ester Souders, Mrs. Ed. Woolridge. (Ensign in Navy) Caronde, California.

Virginia Bledsoe, Mrs. Page Goffigan, 1326 Buckingham Avenue, Norfolk. Boy six years old (Page, Jr.). Works in P. T. A., Junior Woman's Club, Board Member Edgewater Home for Girls.

Harriet Branch, Mrs. Robert Major, Jr., 303 North Street, Portsmouth. Active in Portsmouth Chapter D. A. R.

Hannah Crawley, Mrs. J. Russell Young, Jr., 1445 Ogden Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Teaching music in a private school.

Nancy DeBerry, Mrs. David White,

Hawthorne Road, Charlotte, North Carolina. One girl (Nancy) three years old. Teaching in kindergarten.

Ruth Hunt. Teaching in Rocky Mount, Virginia.

Ellen Earle Jones, Mrs. Carlyle Huffman, Boston, Mass. Husband Lt. in Coast Artillery.

Ann Rice, Mrs. Thomas Nelson Elliot, Blackstone, Virginia. One boy two years old (Jr.)

A. J. Scott, Mrs. Robert Diedrick, Shew Rock Court Apt., Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Martha Von Schilling, Mrs. W. D. Stuart, 4508 W. Seminary Avenue, Richmond. Two boys (three years and eight months old).

Nancy St. Clair, Mrs. Edward Traynham, Leap Apt., Waynesboro, Virginia. Two children (one boy and one girl.)

Frances Crawford. Teaching in Stuart's Draft, Virginia. School librarian.

Virginia Gee. Teaching in Kenbridge, Virginia.

Charlotte Hutchins, Mrs. Linwood Roberts, 1100 Ann Street. One girl three years old (Peggy). Belongs to Senior Woman's Club.

Grace Virginia Woodhouse, Mrs. Clyde Rowls, 1048 Naval Avenue, Portsmouth, Virginia. Social worker with Social Service Board. Director of Executive Board of Farmville Alumnae Association.

Eleanor Davis. Teaching in Salisbury, Maryland.

Louise Clayton, 163 Douglas Avenue, Portsmouth. Teaching in Portsmouth. Active in Woman's Club work, Sunday School, Church Choir, Music Club and Education Association.

Alumnae Chapter Activities

Farmville Alumnae Chapters continue, in most cases, to respond enthusiastically to suggestions and needs of their Alma Mater. Someone has said, "No college is stronger than its alumnae organization." We believe this is true, and that is why we want your organized loyalty. There are now fifty-two chapters, of which only a few are quiescent, but we do not drop chapters from our roll until we are advised that they are inactive.

Encouraging reports have come from our out-of-state chapters. Dr. Jarman gave a most interesting account of his meeting with the **New York** alumnae at a dinner on George Washington's birthday. Under the leadership of Emma Mebane Hunt and Harriet Booker, this chapter has kept the Farmville spirit alive in that great city. While on this trip, Dr. Jarman was much impressed by a luncheon meeting with the Baltimore Chapter. Some of our most loyal girls are in this group, and Lois Cox is doing a fine job as president. Miss Mix met the **Philadelphia** Chapter in April. Helen Reiff, the president, could not be there, but she was ably represented by Mrs. Kate Ferguson Morehead. A delightful meeting of this chapter was held in the home of Mrs. Kitty Carroll Price at Swarthmore, Penn. The **Charleston, W. Va.**, Chapter met in February and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Harriet Purdy Blackwell; Vice-President, Mrs. Harriet Edmunds Coons; Secretary, Mrs. Eloise Perkins Elliott, and Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Myers Farrar. With these fine officers, we are sure they will "go places."

The Virginia Chapters have shown unusual activity this year. The **Winchester** alumnae elected as their new president, Mrs. Margaret Armstrong Otley. Margaret is a Farmville girl with plenty of "pep" and love for her home-town college. A telegram from her this fall gave news of a good beginning. Miss Emma Allen, president of the **Amelia** Chapter, is usually the first one to respond to a letter from the Secretary. It is hard for the **Amelia County** alumnae to meet often, but they are always on top with their work. The **Roanoke** Chapter staged a most successful card party and fashion show on February 10th in the Hotel Roanoke. Dr. Jarman, Mr. Graham, Mary Peck, Mary Nichols and I attended. Dr. Jarman remarked during the fashion show, "Our girls can do anything. Watch Margaret Stallard as she models that stylish outfit. She can teach, too!" Liz Shipplett was president of the Chapter at this time. This **Roanoke** Chapter had a beautiful banquet at the Patrick Henry Hotel on November 13th. Dr. Walmsley was the guest speak-

er from Farmville. His subject was "Democracy in a Crisis." There were about sixty **Roanoke** alumnae present and eight or ten visitors from Farmville, including the state president, Mary Peck; the secretary, Ruth Coyner; Dr. Jarman, Mary Nichols, Rachel Royall and Grace Moran. Lorana Moomaw, as president of the **Roanoke** Chapter, has picked up the work where Elizabeth Shipplett left off, and there seems to have been no lost motion there. The **Roanoke** Chapter has helped to send some outstanding girls to Farmville in the past few years, and the chapter keeps in close touch with the Farmville home office always. The college is proud of the spirit shown by this organization, and is grateful for the good work the **Roanoke** Chapter is doing.

The **Norfolk** Chapter under the leadership of our debating champion, Pattie Bounds, had plans for a luncheon in January and a card party and fashion show in February. We feel sure they were both successful. On a drizzly Valentine Day, Dr. Jarman, Grace Moran and I went to **Hopewell**, driven by "Charlie," who is invaluable to the alumnae officers as they travel over the state in bad weather. There we attended a tea in the lovely home of Mrs. Elizabeth Shumate Elder. The **Hopewell** Chapter is "right there," and we are proud of all of their activities. Some excellent girls of our present student body hail from this city; so we know this chapter will continue to prosper. At a business meeting of the **Farmville** Chapter, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mary Lancaster Wall; Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Jarman Hardy; Secretary, Katherine Watkins, and Treasurer, Lillian Minkle. On November 28th their annual fall banquet was held in the STC Tea Room with a good attendance of visitors, members and honorary members. Our own Miss Leola Wheeler delighted the girls as usual with her reading of "White Cliffs" by Alice Duer Miller.

On June 10th, Dr. Jarman, Dr. Walmsley, Mary Peck and I attended an interesting and inspiring luncheon-meeting of the **Eastern Shore** alumnae at Eastville. Mrs. Marion Fitchett Long welcomed the guests in clever rhyme, and Miss Lila Jacob introduced Dr. Jarman as the honor guest of the occasion. There were about fifty present, including some high school girls who were interested in going to college. Three of the alumnae ante-dated Dr. Jarman's presidency—Mrs. Lillie Bland Williams, Mrs. Mabel Roberts Tankard and Mrs. Louise Hogwood Russell—but no matter when they were at Farmville, the spirit for Alma Mater has not waned. Indeed, the cordiality and the loyalty exhibited under the

leadership of their president, Mrs. Helen Fitchett Dixon, caused us to linger on the Shore over night. From Onancock the next day we set out by private boat for Tangier, accompanied by Mrs. Martha Lee Doughty, another Farmville alumna. Catherine and Evelyn Crockett were positively overcome by our arrival on the island, since the regular daily boat was not due at that hour. Dr. Jarman took the group to get a coca-cola, and we had a little time to see Tangier, but not enough. The girls think they may organize a chapter so that next time the Tangier visit can be planned. Such receptions as this put new spirit into the representatives who go from Farmville, and we hope this renewal of friendships formed while at college re-awakens the interest of our alumnae in their Alma Mater.

The **Salem** alumnae re-organized at a tea on November 13th in the home of Mrs. Jameson and Mrs. Eleanor Jameson Folk. That chapter has the distinction of being the first one ever organized, but for some reason the organization lost zest, and it finally ceased to function. The tea, attended by about twenty-five or thirty, indicated a desire to re-establish the Salem Chapter, and so with Mary Peck and the Secretary present, new officers were elected and another Salem Chapter took up the work of the one organized in 1903. The following officers were chosen: President, Mrs. Helen Hodges Watkins; Vice-President, Mrs. Justine Cutshall Henderson; Secretary, Nancy Pierpont; and Treasurer, Margaret Northcross. With such fine people we have at Salem and with Mrs. Helen Hodges Watkins as their president, the chapter is off to a good start. Dr. Jarman, Dr. Walmsley, Mary Nichols, Grace Moran, and Rachel Royall were guests at the party.

The **Gloucester** Chapter had a very animated spring season with two interesting meetings. On May 10th, Dr. Walmsley attended a luncheon meeting at the historic, quaint Woman's Club House to speak on "Democracy and Education." He had such a good time that he was anxious to return with Mary Peck, Miss Mix and me on May 31st, when the Gloucester Chapter of Farmville Alumnae entertained the high school graduating girls at a most attractive tea. Margaret Nuttall as president, and Mrs. Roland Lewis as secretary, have had a most successful year.

On Easter Monday, Mrs. Celeste Richardson Blanton and I left for the grand tour of Southwest Virginia. That evening the **Bristol-Abingdon** alumnae entertained at a delightful dinner at the Hotel Bristol. About twelve enthusiastic girls were present. They organized a chapter and elected Sarah Dinwiddie, Supervisor of Schools in Washington County, president. Mrs. Helen Gray Vance, Mrs. Mary Dornin Stant and Louise Brewer were hostesses on this enjoyable occasion. The **Wythe County** alumnae spent a happy evening in the lovely home

of Mrs. Mary Lou Campbell Graham on April 15th. Mrs. Clara McAllister Parsons presided. This chapter has been most helpful in recommending to outstanding high school girls the advantages of their Alma Mater. We always have their loyal support. Mrs. Graham was elected president for the coming year. We, Celeste and I, met with the **Blacksburg** Chapter on our way back to Farmville in the attractive new home of Mrs. Nancy Johnson Bondurant on April 17th. Mrs. Mary Spiggle Michael was elected president; Mrs. Elva Hedley De La Barre, secretary, and Mrs. Nancy Johnson Bondurant, treasurer. The "girls" enjoyed informal chatting about Farmville into the wee small hours. Many of our Blacksburg alumnae were so fond of teaching that they have married into the profession; their husbands are professors at V. P. I.

About twenty of **Staunton's** finest citizens, who, of course, are Farmville girls, met in the Hotel Ingleside, April 19th, for their annual luncheon. This was truly a very delightful occasion in every way. The guests were Dr. Jarman, Supt. L. F. Shelburne, Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Potts, Mary Peck, Grace Moran, Winnie and Helen Hiner and Ruth Coyner of Farmville. In point of real service this is one of our oldest chapters, and one that we can always count on.

In an all-time-heat-breaking record for May 23rd, Dr. Jarman, Mr. Graham, Dr. Jeffers and I drove to **Portsmouth** to attend a very delightful dinner meeting of that chapter. Under the leadership of Mary Rice, every detail was beautifully planned and executed. Mrs. Grace George Harrell was the gracious toastmistress and Louise Clayton rendered two vocal solos. Good old Farmville songs were led by peppy Mrs. Lizzie Ewald Lively, with Etta Marshall at the piano. Mr. Graham showed moving-pictures of the May Day and a "good time was had by all." About forty **Lynchburg** alumnae gathered at the beautiful and interesting old home of Thomas Jefferson known as "Poplar Forest" on May 24th for an old-fashioned picnic—(fried chicken, ice cream and everything!) Mr. and Mrs. Hutter, owners of the place, were most hospitable, and they explained much about this historic house and grounds. Their daughter-in-law is one of our girls. The guests on this occasion included nine Lynchburg high school senior girls and Dr. Jarman, Dr. Walmsley, Mary Peck and Mr. and Mrs. Coyner from Farmville. Hats off to our Lynchburg alumnae for such a unique, enjoyable occasion! And special thanks to Mrs. Agnes Burger Williams for the bountiful table.

May 29th stands out on our calendar for two reasons: it was the hottest day on record for May, and the **Petersburg** alumnae celebrated with a five o'clock tea. The Farmville guests, Dr. Jarman, Mary Peck, Mary Nichols and I, will never tell how

many glasses of ice-cold punch we drank that afternoon. (One of our STC Profs could not even compete with us!) Kitty Whyte has made an excellent president of this chapter and we are indebted to this group for their hospitality on this occasion.

Alice Carter helped to start this fall's alumnae work with a bang by entertaining the **Warrenton** alumnae at a tea on September 19th. The girls decided to organize a Fauquier County Chapter and Mrs. Mary Perkins Fletcher was elected president. We are expecting great things to continue coming from Fauquier! Several nice freshmen came from there to STC this year. On October 24th I went to our nation's capital to meet with twenty-six enthusiastic **Washington** alumnae. Carrie Sutherlin poured tea and the girls gaily reminisced over the tea cups. There were "Ohs" and "Ahs" over the annuals, Rotundas and other college publications on display and even from a distance you could tell a Farmville Clan had gathered. When you read the following list of officers for this chapter, you will know its future success is assured: President, Mrs. Olive Smith Bowman; Vice-President, Mrs. Ann Smith Green; and Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Jessie B. Kennedy.

With a record-breaking attendance of one hundred twenty-six, the regular annual Thanksgiving luncheon meeting was held in the Stonewall Room of Murphy's Hotel in **Richmond**. Mrs. Carrie Rennie Eason very graciously presided. Mary Peck, our

president, introduced some distinguished guests and alumnae. Classes were represented from 1891 to the present time. The STC Madrigal Singers charmed and delighted us on this occasion.

A last-minute letter has been received from our loyal friend, Virginia Tinsley, saying the **Culpeper** Chapter had just met and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Richard E. Jones (Alma Garlick); Vice-President, Mrs. J. J. Davies, Jr. (Ruth Lea Purdum); Secretary and Treasurer, Mary Ruth Winn. There is evidently an epidemic of matrimony in Culpeper. Alma Garlick started it last summer, Ruth Lea was married Saturday, December 14, and by the time this magazine goes to press, Mary Ruth will be Mrs. H. B. Lacy. Anyway, that doesn't take away from their love of their Alma Mater!

Our baby Chapter this year is **Alexandria**! On December 11, I met with them at the George Mason Hotel, and they elected the following officers: President, Anna Stump; Vice-President, Irving Armstrong; Secretary, Anne Dugger; and Treasurer, Elizabeth Crute Goode. This group felt that even in the face of war, and almost in the shadow of the Washington Monument, they could turn their thoughts at least twice a year to their Alma Mater and the ideals for which she stands! They were anxious to serve as a group just as all true Farmville Alumnae Chapters are.

RUTH H. COYNER, Secretary.

Among Our Alumnae

1884-1900

FLORA MEADOWS (Mrs. L. W. Thornton) was a student at Farmville when Dr. Ruffner was president and Miss Bush was head-teacher. Her recollections of these times are most interesting. Her home is in Pamplin, but she frequently visits her children in Roanoke, Richmond, and Raleigh, N. C. One daughter is in welfare work in Middletown, Conn. Her leisure moments are spent industriously in handwork. She has crocheted twenty bedspreads and one table cloth, and made fancy quilts besides.

May Paulett (Mrs. William J. Gills) has a son, William, Jr., who has served sixteen years in the navy. He has visited almost all parts of the world, much time having been spent in the Pacific near China, in the Philippines, and at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii. He has the rank of Chief Pharmacist's Mate, and thinks the U. S. Navy is the finest thing in the world for any man or any boy.

Margaret (Madge) Watkins Goode (Mrs. W. C. Moore) has a daughter, Lillian, who in early childhood, responded rhythmically to the invitation of dance music. She studied in America, spent a year in Paris, then became a solo dancer with the Metropolitan Opera Company. Perhaps some of the Farmville Alumnae saw her with the ballet which accompanied the opera, "Le Nozze di Figaro," in Richmond, last March. In October she was ballet mistress and prima ballerina of the Autumn Festival Opera in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

1901-1910

Clair Woodruff (Mrs. J. L. Bugg) was elected president of the Virginia Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in October. She is to be congratulated also on the honor that was accorded her son in his senior year at Hampden-Sydney last year in his election to the William H. Whiting Scholarship Club—the counterpart for Phi Beta Kappa in other colleges.

Josephine Johnson, who wrote the lovely sonnet *Beauty* for our magazine, is an alumna of whom we are proud indeed. Harper's, Poetry, London Mercury, Commonwealth, The New Republic, The Lyric,—all show appreciation of her poetry by publishing it. She and her sister Julia, both recognized poets, have given their thought and energy almost wholly to war relief work during the past year.

Mary Clarice Bersch has a degree from George Peabody College for Teachers. She has been principal of Ore Bank High School, Virginia, and rural supervisor in Maryland. At present, she is a teacher in Towson State Teachers' College, Maryland.

Marjorie S. Thompson, who has been living in El Paso, Texas, for several years, has become a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an honor society in education which admits only those persons who have achieved distinction in the teaching profession and is open only to one-tenth of the women teachers in any school system.

Nina Latimer (Mrs. Juan Orts Gonzalez) made her home in Barcelona, Spain, until 1936. Then conditions in that war-torn country made life precarious, and she and her husband made their escape with difficulty. They went to London first, then came to Richmond, where their three children were high school students. The oldest daughter, Minita, is now president of college government at Westhampton College. In October she attended the annual convention at the University of Vermont of the Women's Intercollegiate Association of Student Government.

Alice Paulette (Mrs. Geoffrey Creyke) has received "honorable mention" in the 1940 Alumnae Magazine. Now her son, Richard Paulette Creyke, is winning prominence in literary and social accomplishments. While a student at Western High School, Washington, he was a member of the honor fraternity, editor of the Western Breeze (weekly school paper), major of the cadet battalion, and was awarded the Harvard Prize, given to the outstanding junior. Upon graduation he received a four-year scholarship to George Washington University. Now he is "Senior Scenario Writer" in the Training Film Production Laboratory at Wright Field, near Dayton, Ohio. Included in the twenty-four stories in a new book, "Reading the Short Story," published for college freshman classes, is his story, "Niggers are Such Liars." The editors have provided biographical notes and critical study guides. Among the authors are Stephen Vincent Benet, John Galsworthy, Sherwood Anderson, and other well-known writers. A successful future seems assured for "Dick."

Lucy Rice (Mrs. Pollard English) has two sons, both of whom have won recognition for outstanding qualities and accomplishments. The older, Jack, has been successful in chemical research (see Alumnae Magazine, 1941). The younger, Bruce, was

selected from several hundred John Marshall High School Seniors, to receive the highest honor of the school, the Citizenship Medal. He is now a senior in Randolph-Macon College. During his four years he was president of the sophomore class; a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary leadership fraternity which he represented at the national convention at Louisiana State University in March, 1941; president of the local chapter of Chi Beta Phi, national honorary fraternity of seniors; elected editor-in-chief of the 1942 college annual, but he resigned this office to become head of the student government for 1941-42. He is listed in the 1941-42 issue of WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES; he is the great-nephew of our beloved Miss Rice. He is evidently a very capable and popular as well as a very busy young man.

Grace Beale (Mrs. John Moncure) is librarian at Towson, Md., High School.

Natalie C. Hardy (Mrs. S. L. Graham) has a son, Thomas, who has heard the call of the Navy. After his graduation at Annapolis in 1941, he was in constant service on the destroyer **Greer** as gunner and radio officer until August, when he was sent to Bowdoin College for a special course in radio engineering. Ensign Graham is now in the Naval Radio Laboratory at Anacostia. Lyle Graham, another son, who has been playing professional football, since his graduation from the University of Richmond, playing with the Richmond Arrows, The Portsmouth Cubs, and the Philadelphia Eagles, has recently enlisted in the Naval Aviation Reserves.

1911-1920

Elta Rose Bailey, principal of Maury Elementary School in Richmond, has been called "the Angelo Patri of Virginia," since her work and school have been an inspiration to many other teachers. Her school is known as "the most-visited school" in the state. Educators from many states and some foreign countries have witnessed at Maury the plan used to put into practice the Virginia program for the improvement of instruction. (Maury pupils plan their own work, set tasks for themselves and carry these tasks to successful completion). In 1941 Miss Bailey was a member of the summer faculty of Teachers College, Columbia University.

Corinne Kemper (Mrs. W. T. Dent) of Barton Heights was selected in 1938 as the finest type of Methodist Mother by the Richmond District Mothers' Day Committee. The citation in the Richmond Christian Advocate "is a real homemaker, a real mother, a real Christian and a real friend. To know her is to love her." Corinne has been a Sunday School teacher, president of

a large Bible Class, a member of the Council of Church Women, secretary of her missionary circle. She has three children.

Ruby Williams (Mrs. Ruby W. Clarke) is owner and operator of a sewing factory in Pamplin which employs about thirty girls.

Mary E. Williams (Mrs. Mary E. Bonwell) of Charlotte C. H., is an officer in the Federal Institution for Women, Alderson, W. Va. She has charge of thirty-five women prisoners.

Kathleen Spencer (Mrs. E. B. Bobzien) has a daughter, Kathleen, who was recently married to Lieutenant Joseph Lyle Laughlin, U. S. Air Corps, stationed at Wheeler Field, Honolulu, T. H. Mrs. Bobzien is a daughter of Carrie E. Samuels Spencer, class of '89, and a great-niece of Miss Sarah Spencer of beloved memory at S. T. C. Her husband, Lieutenant Colonel Edwin Barton Bobzien, is also stationed in Honolulu—at Hickam Field.

Mary Lancaster (Mrs. J. Barrye Wall) has varied interests in community affairs. She has just completed a term as president of the Farmville Alumnae Chapter and has held other Alumnae offices in the past. She has been active in the Judith Randolph Chapter of the D. A. R. and the Longwood Garden Club, and is diligent in Red Cross work. Mr. Wall is publisher of The Farmville Herald, and under his direction the weekly paper has received wide publicity. In 1935 the National Editorial Association invited the publishers of newspapers winning prizes in the better newspaper contests sponsored by that association to hold a reunion in New Orleans during the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the N. E. A. Mr. Wall was the only Virginia publisher to receive this invitation. The paper had won a certificate for community service in 1928. In 1941 the Virginia Press Association declared The Farmville Herald sweepstakes winner in the annual better newspaper contest. The awards were: first in front page make-up, first in news and feature pictures, second in general excellence of typography, honorable mention in news writing, honorable mention for the editorial page. All this was summed up in the C. C. Rhame certificate indicating general excellence.

Gladys Bingham (Mrs. H. P. Woodson) lives in Clearwater, Florida. Her interests are travel and garden club work. During her husband's lifetime they owned and operated the finest fruit grove in Pinellas County. It was named "Virginia Grove" and was the show place of the West Coast.

Myrtle Harrison has been an outstanding supervisor of Adult Education for the past five years. As a member of the Franklin County central committee which conducted an unusually successful county-wide program of unified study, she served as counsellor and took active charge of discussion groups in the county schools. An outcome

of this study was a bulletin, *Democracy in Nation and School*. Myrtle wrote part of it, and acknowledgment was made of the value of her counsel. Commendation of her work has been given in these words, "We feel that Miss Harrison, through formal training, individual study, and practical application, is now an authority in the field of general adult education."

Rebekah Peck was critic teacher at Fredricksburg for several years after her graduation. She has been assistant principal of the Fincastle High School for years, and has found much to do in her home town. She has taught an infant class at Sunday School long enough to be instructing now "the children's children." Her greatest concern at school and in her locality is about health and general welfare, to which she gives her unsparing service.

Edith Willis (Mrs. W. R. Reed) is one of the outstanding teachers in the Standard Training Schools of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Church. Incidentally, she knows almost as many alumnae personally as does Dr. Jarman! One explanation: she is the wife of a Methodist preacher; another, she loves people.

Julia Mahood, whose portraits of Miss Smithey and Mr. Eason are to be presented to the college on Founders Day, is an artist in her own right, as attested by pictures in Memorial Hospital, Lynchburg; Memorial Methodist Church, Lynchburg; Randolph-Macon College, Ashland; The State Capitol, Richmond; Bluefield Commercial Bank, Bluefield, W. Va. She belongs to a family of artists. In her own words:

"My grandmother used to paint miniatures in water color, and still life and landscapes in water color and pastels. She taught a private class in painting in Petersburg. . . . From the time I was a baby until I graduated at Farmville in 1920, my mother taught art in the Lynchburg public schools, raised a family of five children and painted portraits in her spare time, or taught private pupils.

"My oldest brother studied architecture and made that his profession. My oldest sister, Carrie, class of '38, took up commercial art and interior decorating and my next sister painted landscapes and later on portraits. . . . I liked to draw, but I made up my mind that I was one Mahood who was not going to be an artist. I wanted a definite salary coming every month, and I didn't want to be encumbered with sketch stools, easels, paint boxes, and stretcher strips wherever I went.

"I loved children and after reading *The Lady of the Decoration*, decided that I would become a kindergarten teacher and go to Japan as a missionary. With this in view, I went to the State Normal School at Farmville. Miss Coulling knew my mother, and on the strength of that, excused me from taking drawing. She offered me a job as student assistant, but I was too timid to

undertake it. After completing the two-year normal, a sermon calling for volunteers to the foreign field convinced me that I was not called to go. I had planned to go to Scarritt Bible Training School with Mary Finch (who afterwards became a missionary to the Orient) but following that sermon I sent in my resignation and have been teaching ever since.

"I began copying a painting that my mother had copied from Franz Hals' *La Bohemienne* in the Louvre. . . . A friend of ours saw my copy of the Franz Hals and gave me an order for a portrait of her little boy. I took the order with the understanding that she was not obligated to accept it. No one was more surprised than I that it turned out to be like him. I have been painting portraits ever since in my spare time.

"My mother is a real artist. She has painted pictures that will live through the ages. Some of her work has been highly complimented by those who know and she has exhibited in large exhibitions here and abroad, but she has never received the recognition that her work merits, and which I am confident will one day be accorded to her. Mother loved painting. I still like teaching best and now my ambition is to combine painting with teaching and get an M. A. in Art Education from Yale and teach art in a girls' school.

"Miss Smithey's portrait will be finished by March the seventh and I shall look forward to being there at that time. I can't tell you how much it pleases me to be represented at my Alma Mater and to know that you have enough confidence in me to have entrusted me with these orders."

1921-1930

Ruby M. Branch teaches the only white school in Henrico County of the old one-room type. However, this is also the only school in the county which has had a 100% seven-point (not five-point) health record for eight successive years. So far as any one knows, it is the only school in the United States with such a record. Because of the zeal and influence of the teacher, the Mothers' Club has health as a major objective; and the children themselves, in their organization, the Students Co-operative Association, emphasize health.

Elizabeth Burger's interests have been divided between science and sports. Her M. A. degree from the College of William and Mary was based upon an outstanding study of the Black Widow spider, and she addressed the Virginia Academy of Science upon that subject. While in College she was an outstanding player on the hockey team and was selected for the All-Southeastern Hockey team. From this rank she was advanced to the United States Field Hockey team, and participated in a series of games played in the United States and South America.

Marie Baldwin (Mrs. Carloa Collejos) met her husband when both were students at University of Virginia summer school. Mr. Collejos was at one time manager of Pan-American Airways in British Honduras, holding this position until the Spanish Revolution. Mrs. Collejos is connected with the American Legation, San Jose, Costa Rica. When she visits her Pamplin home, she usually makes the trip by airplane.

Alice Lavana Dean (Mrs. C. F. Edwards) has been teaching in the Norfolk City Schools since her graduation in 1927. The Alumnae who have enjoyed her articles in *Childhood Education* will be interested to know of her latest book-length story, now ready for publication.

Mary E. Kelly (Mrs. Leslie G. Ross) is making her home now at Langhorne Place, Salem, while Major Ross is stationed in the Philippine Islands.

Mary A. Stephenson has a book just off the press that her friends among the alumnae will wish to own—*Old Homes in Surry and Sussex*. The Wakefield Woman's Club, Mrs. Marvin Gray, president, is sponsor for this beautiful book with its 50 half-page illustrations and sketches of more than 100 homes.

Mary Rives Richardson (Mrs. Edwin Preston Lancaster) has an A. B. degree from Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, as well as a B. S. degree from Farmville. She was head of the English Department in Hopewell High School before her marriage. Mr. Lancaster is Leaf Expert of the Indian Leaf Development Co., Ltd.—subsidiary of British-American Tobacco Company. With her small son, Preston, she is living in her old home in Farmville. Arrangements to fly to Calcutta, India, in December to join her husband had been completed by the company, permission and passport had been granted by the American Government when the Pacific conflict developed. She is enthusiastically and successfully engaged in activities promoting war work and presenting a challenge to the American women. She has been guest speaker at many public meetings throughout the state; also guest speaker at the meeting of the Farmville State Teachers College Alumnae Chapter of New York City, when a war work project was planned and the part American women must play in the world crisis was discussed. As head of the Farmville Chapter of "Bundles for Britain" and the knitting section of the local American Red Cross unit, she has sent many shipments of warm garments and other needed supplies across the sea.

Mary Blackwell Parker is employed by the Social Security Agency in Baltimore.

Rebekah Liebman is a teacher in the Baltimore public school system. She has had graduate work at the University of Maryland, and is now studying for her doctorate at Johns Hopkins University.

Virginia Wade Pettigrew (Mrs. Stewart Clare) qualifies as a member of the National League of American Pen Women and as a member of the Granddaughters' Club. Her mother was Mary Wade, of Farmville, now living in Florence, S. C. After completing her course at Farmville S. T. C., Virginia, studied at Columbia University, then at Cornell University where she met her husband, and both received degrees there. Later, they moved to Atlanta, and Virginia's activities have included making a home for her husband and three children, writing a book and receiving an M. A. degree from the University of Georgia. Her first book, "Harp of the South," (a second biography of South Carolina's Henry Timrod) published in 1936), won instant praise. Her second book, "Thunder and Stars," was given to the public in October, 1941—a biography of Miss Willie Rutherford, for more than forty years head of the famous Lucy Cobb Institute at Athens, Ga. The Atlanta Constitution and the Atlanta Journal devoted much space to an appreciation of its historic and literary value, and numerous organizations feted the gifted young author.

1931-1941

Margaret Addleman graduated from Lewis-Gale Training School for Nurses in 1938, and is now a supervisor in Lewis-Gale Hospital, Roanoke.

Lcis Cox is a teacher at the Maryland School for the Blind. She is also working with the Y. W. C. A. in Baltimore, and is president of the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter.

Virginia A. Pullen (Mrs. Thomas G. Pullen, Jr.) is living in Maryland, where her husband is Assistant State Supervisor of Schools.

Anne Billups taught in Norfolk County the session of 1940-41. This year she is one of the first S. T. C. alumnae to join the assistant computers at Langley Field.

Carmen E. Clark has been an assistant in S. T. C. library since her graduation. She now has leave of absence to study library science at University of North Carolina.

Anne R. Cock, Florence Lee, and Ruth Winstead are serving their country at Langley Field.

Mary Robeson (Mrs. J. D. Wood) and young daughter, Anne, arrived in the states last summer and are now with her parents in Blacksburg. Her husband, Captain John Dudley Wood, is with his regiment at Fort Mills, at the mouth of Manila Bay.

Irene Leake (Mrs. Walter Gottschalk) with her small son, Walter, Jr., is making her home with her mother in Orange, Va., while Capt. Gottschalk is on military duty in the Philippine Islands. Irene's lovely voice and charming personality have been greatly missed since she left Farmville for Hoboken, N. J.

Box 236
Halifax, Virginia
December 15, 1941

Dear Classmate of '41:

So much water has gone under the bridge since we left Farmville only six months ago. Remember that eventful day—rain amid tears, good wishes amid good-byes. I meant to write to you so many times before, but working all summer and teaching—really teaching—for the first time, has whiled the time away, somehow. Halifax is the grandest place in the world to teach. It's so close to South Boston that I naturally go home every weekend.

How do you like teaching? Does it keep you busy with preparations and extra-curricular activities? I never knew it could be so broadening and still such fun.

However, school doesn't occupy all my thoughts yet. I do know some good news that would interest you. Ruth Lea wrote that she and Jack Davies were married rather unexpectedly Saturday, December 13th, in Culpeper. Their plans for December 26th were upset by the cancelling of Christmas leaves. You probably heard about the other marriages of our classmates since June—Mary Elizabeth Petticrew and Nancy Goode Bland.

Did you know that Flossie Lee is contributing greatly to the National Defense with her job at the National Advisory Field Committee for Aeronautics at Langley Field? She says

that Hampton Roads is just like a beehive with so many people and industries going.

Rachel Kibler told me in Richmond the other day that she liked teaching French in Crewe. When I think of the struggles we went through to even pass French, I silently toast her efforts. Crewe is certainly fortunate in having her on their faculty.

Jean Moyer wrote that one of her pupils brought her a black widow spider instead of the traditional apple. You don't suppose that's the newest thing in gifts, do you?

Pat Gibson remained in Virginia for another year and is teaching English, American literature, biology, sociology, and physical education at Powhatan High. She still has time to coach the girls' basketball team, though, for Martha Meade Hardaway told me her Amelia team played Powhatan and was victorious.

Libby West writes that she likes teaching even if practice teaching did cause hair pulling and nail biting. We've heard that she's made quite a hit with the football hero.

The Music Department of S. T. C. has Virginia Richards as one of its instructors. She's still Virginia to three classes and officially Miss Richards to the freshmen.

We find Mary Hille McCoy teaching Home Ec, and more Home Ec in Fairfax. She has four freshman classes, but that's a big school—about nine hundred students.

Have you been back to Farmville

yet? I was back one week-end this fall. There were so many new faces and so many old. It was so good to see that many girls living so happily together under one roof. We don't realize how much our Alma Mater means to us until she sends us out into the world. My heart was filled with the gayety, and yet the seriousness, of those students at this time in our history.

By our lives, regardless of what we are doing, we should try to perpetuate the ideals for which S. T. C. stands.

There is such a challenge to be a citizen of America today—a cause for unity, patriotism, love, and sharing. How much we can do, we alone know, but it's worth the trial.

Please write to me about yourself, and let me know if and when you will greet Farmville on Founder's Day. I want to have a long chat with you then.

Lots of love,

Caralie.

Beauty

Lovers of beauty hold within their hearts
The fairest gift of heaven. Theirs shall be
A joy which flowers on perpetually
Beneath the spell her sorcery imparts.
Lovers of beauty bear within their breasts
A balm for every grief existence brings,
And in the healing fallen from her wings
Lost faith returns and hope renews her quests.

For even love may fail, but beauty never—
Fame prove a glory far too dearly bought;
Love dies, and fame goes down to dust, but ever
Beauty abides, in life's strange metal wrought,
And time's erosion serves but to unfold
In each alloy this pure eternal gold.

—Josephine Johnson.

Campus Comments



Library

YOU who have visited our campus in the past few years are proudly aware of the improvements which have been made. You who have wandered quietly through the hallways and recesses of the library have realized your dreams have come true. You who have stood on the fresh green banks of the athletic field have marveled at the rich new tennis courts, and the tremendous power plant. You have admired the quiet simplicity of the new senior dormitory with its tall white columns, so characteristic of Farmville.

All these have been the dreams of you who have attended Farmville—of you who have come to love the vine-covered walls and the colonnaded halls which make our college live in our hearts long after we have left her class rooms.

Such modifications have not been without definite purpose and plan. We who have watched the expansion and broaden-

ing of the curricula at Farmville, and who have realized the improvements and extensions on the campus, know that such improvements represent more than actual currency and manual labor. They represent much forethought, planning, and energy.

Such has been the progress here at Farmville; and progress is vital in a time when many cultural values are at a forced standstill. You and we who are trained to teach must emphasize the value and true extent of education. For education is democratic, and democracy must be based on the sound principles of cultural progress.

The world is at war to determine the life of democracy. We here, with you, our constant helpers, are doing our part for the institution. This we believe to be the ultimate good of society, by holding to those things which we have established, and by working ever toward those things of the future which shall govern our peaceable life in a world of good will.



Audio-Visual Work In The Classroom

Audio-Visual Program

Farmville State Teachers College is one of the five centers for the distribution of audio-visual materials purchased by the State Department of Education for use in the public schools. The program of audio-visual education was initiated in 1940, with four teacher-training institutions cooperating. Radford State Teachers College, Farmville State Teachers College, Madison College, State Department of Education, and Virginia State College for Negroes will serve as depositories for materials.

Schools within the region of these centers may have the use of the audio-visual aids at their centers if they have registered. One dollar is required for insurance.

The areas which will be served by these centers are: The State Department of Education, serving Alexandria, Hampton, Hopewell, Newport News, Norfolk, Petersburg, Portsmouth, Richmond, South Norfolk, Suffolk, and Williamsburg; Farmville State Teachers College, serving Danville, Fredericksburg, and Lynchburg; Madison College, serving Buena Vista, Charlottesville, Clifton Forge, Harrisonburg, Staunton, and Winchester; Radford State Teachers College, serving Bristol, Martinsville, Radford, and Roanoke.

The only materials distributed are 16 mm sound and silent films. The topics for these educational films for instruction are found in the elementary and high school curricula.

Mr. Edgar M. Johnson, director of Farmville audio-visual center and a professor in

the Education Department, is offering courses in audio-visual aids. He meets a group of the faculty weekly to explain the principles and use of audio-visual aids.

The college has purchased a 16 mm motion picture projector, an opaque projector, recording equipment for making records, and turntable equipment for playing records and transcriptions. A projection room has been arranged in the library with darkening facilities and shelves for films. There is material covering 100 subjects, and Mr. Johnson stated that this will be increased every year. He said that next year the department expects to obtain glass slides, victrola records and transcriptions, and additional films.

The training school, the college faculty, and the Farmville high school have access to the projection room. Twelve operators have been trained to handle the projectors.

Miss Helen Draper, French instructor, uses the recording equipment to make recordings of girls' speech. Mr. T. A. McCorkle has taken motion pictures of scenes around school, May Day exercises, Summer School activities, and hockey games. These will be put together and shown to Alumnae groups and prospective college students.

Audio-visual education played a prominent part in the field of education before it became formalized. At present, there is a noticeable return to the method today. Modern inventions have made possible the advantageous use of a greater number of

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The Madrigal Group

College Choral Groups

The College Choir, an outgrowth of the glee club, was organized in 1930, the primary purpose being to study the finest choral literature and to present a major work in the form of a Spring Festival. Due largely to the success of these festivals, invitations have come in from many points in Virginia to present programs. Notably, two successive invitations were received to appear before the Teachers Convention in Richmond.

The College Choir has appeared in nearly all the leading cities of Virginia in sacred recitals, and it is estimated that the organization has sung to at least fifteen thousand people since 1932. This organization has brought to the campus the following groups: Hampden-Sydney Glee Club, University of Richmond Glee Club, Washington and Lee Glee Club, University of Virginia Glee Club, University of North Carolina Glee Club, Duke University Glee Club, Duke University Chapel Choir, Harvard University Glee Club, and Harvard University Symphony Orchestra together with prominent soloists.

Last April one of the most important performances of the year was the presentation

of Handel's "Messiah" by the Harvard University Glee Club, the Duke University Glee Club and the Farmville State Teachers College choral groups. The same groups also appeared in the Duke Chapel with a similar program.

March 19, 1942, the Choir, together with Duke University Chapel Choir and Yale University Glee Club, will present Brahms' "Requiem" in the chapel at Duke University. This will also be presented in Richmond and New York City. On March 26, 1942, Yale University Glee Club and the College Choir will give a joint program in the college auditorium.

Other important groups selected from the choir are: the Senior A'Capella, the Junior A'Capella, the Intermediate A'Capella, the Assembly Choir, the Madrigal Singers, and the Senior Quartette. These groups form the musical workshop in which students majoring or minoring in music are given the opportunity to direct and accompany. In addition to these groups, there is the Choral Club, which is the training group for advanced choral work.



Freshman Home Economics Group Busy At Work

Home Economics

Great strides have been made in the Home Economics department in the past few years. The small two rooms and limited equipment have grown to four large rooms, a well equipped home management residence, and extensive equipment. There are over one hundred students in this course now as compared with a mere handful a decade ago.

The new equipment in the foods laboratory is of the latest styles and material; a unit for each two or four girls. There are fifteen machines with all the latest at-

tachments and additions in the sewing laboratory.

Two new instructors have been added to their staff, Miss Margaret Hall in the home management house and Miss Ruth Gleaves, student supervisor.

No curriculum offered has the openings and possibilities for development at this time in our history as does Home Economics, openings in dietetics, home demonstration work, teaching, and laboratory practice.

Audio-Visual Program

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audio-visual aids. The state program for improvement of instruction is attempting to show teachers the importance of audio-visual education. Use of this method may be applied through school trips, maps, blackboards, graphs, charts, flat pictures, objects and models, school museums, radio, victrola, and motion pictures.

In explaining the advantages of this method, Mr. Johnson has said, "This process

in education gives opportunities for more first hand information and first hand knowledge. It will help to make education more concrete and less abstract."

Thirty-four schools have registered at Farmville thus far, and it is expected that the number will be over forty before the school year is out. Courses in audio-visual education aids will be offered during both quarters of summer school.



Office Practice Group Gains Experience

Commercial Department

Although the Commercial Department is the "baby" of S. T. C., having been on campus only four years, it is now one of the largest departments in school. The enrollment has increased from 80 students in 1938 to 250 at the present time.

A student in business education has a choice of either the two-year or the four-year curriculum. The two-year curriculum is a straight commercial course which prepares students for clerical positions. For those who wish to teach business subjects or who wish to obtain higher type positions in business, the four-year curriculum is offered.

One of the newest courses in the department is the office practice course. This includes instruction in filing and the correct

use of various office machines such as the dictaphone, duplicating machines, manual and electric adding and calculating machines, which can be used for addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. After this general course in machines has been taken, students may enroll in a specialized course which is concentrated on any one or two of the machines.

A large number of positions are open to students who are graduated from the Commercial Department. They may find work as typists, stenographers, bookkeepers, saleswomen, or teachers. Most of the teachers are placed by the department itself. Because this is a comparatively new field in education, the demand for commercial teachers is great.



"Adoration" by Orchesis

Orchesis Dance Group

Orchesis, the modern dance group at Farmville State Teachers College, is composed of girls selected from the fundamental dance group who show outstanding ability and grace of form in dance, which could be developed with training. Under the direction of Miss Emily Kauzlarich, the group presents recitals of its work at various times during the school year.

Members of Orchesis visited the University of North Carolina on November 29 to represent Farmville in a modern dance symposium. The program for the symposium included dance classes in technique and composition under the supervision and instruction of Miss Elizabeth Waters, formerly a member of Hanya Holme's group, and Miss Bessie Schoenberg, one of the nation's leading dance instructors. In the afternoon there was a round table discus-

sion and a tea. The symposium closed with a presentation of compositions and demonstrations by six of the colleges represented, including Farmville State Teachers College. Sixteen colleges in the Carolinas and Virginia sent representatives to the symposium.

On December 6, a Christmas program was presented in the college auditorium for the students, faculty, and the public. The Senior A'Capella Choir of the college sang the accompaniment for the dances.

In the latter part of January, the club will give a recital featuring the Fundamental Dance Class, the Composition Class, and the Club. At this time, the Fundamental Dance Class will present various techniques, while Orchesis and the Composition Class will demonstrate composition, including the early classical forms of dance.

Pi Gamma Mu Works For Founders' Day

Pi Gamma Mu, national Social Science fraternity, has as its present project that of publishing brief biographies of those people whose portraits hang or are to be hung this year in the S. T. C. library. These biographies will deal largely with the contributions made by these people while in service to the college. This compilation will be put in permanent book form and is to be presented to the college on Founder's Day of this year.

Nine people who have been selected thus far are: Dr. William Henry Ruffner, Dr. J. L. M. Curry, Dr. James Nelson, Miss

Celestia Parrish, Dr. John Cunningham, Dr. Robert Frazer; Miss Estelle Smithey, Dr. Thomas D. Eason, and Dr. J. L. Jarman.

Dr. William Ruffner was the first president of the State Female Normal School at Farmville, serving from 1884 to 1887. He also had held the distinction of being the first State Superintendent of Education in Virginia.

The first president of the Board of Trustees of the State Female Normal School was Dr. J. L. M. Curry. He drafted and put before the Virginia legislature the bill by which the school was established.

Dr. James Nelson, who was a Baptist preacher at Farmville from 1884 to 1914, was a charter member of the board of trustees.

Miss Celestia Parrish, who was a member of the State Female Normal School's second graduation class, in 1886, came back to Farmville the following year and taught mathematics. She is well known for her educational work in Georgia.

Dr. John Cunningham was the second president of the State Female Normal School. He served from 1887 to 1897.

Dr. Robert Frazer was the third president of the college, from 1897 to 1902. He organized the Virginia Normal League which provided funds to help girls through school.

Miss Estelle Smithey came to the State

Female Normal School in 1896 as professor of modern languages, and she taught until her death in 1938.

Dr. Thomas D. Eason served as professor in the biology department of Farmville from 1911 to 1915. His work as a member of the State Board of Education was outstandingly progressive.

Dr. J. L. Jarman, the fourth and present president of the college, has been in office since 1902. His contributions have been so outstanding in many fields of education and in the growth of the college that all recognize him as the builder of the college.

As additional portraits are hung in the library each year, it is expected that the members of Pi Gamma Mu will write up the biographies and add them to the book which will be presented this year.

"Corrective" Health Work Begins Here

The more complete theory of health and physical education at present has adopted as one of its supporting principles that a strong, well-developed body is essentially worthwhile to the individual. This theory emphasizes the importance of physical correctives and bodily perfection. In this service, which has been called "Corrective Exercise," the two branches of the profession—physical education and health education—meet. "Correctives" is not a narrow field; it is as wide as any one cares to make it. It is neither culminated with a few exercises for strengthening specific muscles, nor is it satisfied with a method of standing in perfect balance. It must consider the health problems of the weak child, so as to help him to develop as normally as possible, and it must deal with the hazards of the athlete, in order to protect him from injury or strain.

Here at Farmville State Teachers College, there seemed to be a need for a course that would both educate the future physical and health education teachers in constructive activities and improve the physical conditions of the students. In the fall,

each freshman is given a thorough examination for posture and foot defects, and a detailed record is made of each student's difficulties. This does **not** take the place of the doctor's general physical examination, but it is an addition to the program.

Students who have been trained in anatomy, kinesiology, and physiology assist in the posture and foot examinations under supervision.

The records are assorted into groups by the faculty adviser and lists are made of all girls needing special posture and foot exercises. Before suggested exercises are given, an orthopedic specialist rechecks the problem to assure the correct diagnosis. Upon the doctor's recommendation, the "correctives" students make out exercises to help or correct each girl's individual difficulties.

Once each week the girls meet to go through their special exercises with the student major in "correctives," and new exercises are given for the following week. All of the exercises are practiced daily. Students continue to take the course until a sufficient amount of improvement has been noted.

Farmville's Honor Organizations

Farmville's honor organizations have been continually in the headlines this year.

Starting with the freshmen and sophomores, we find that Alpha Phi Sigma, headed by Nell Quinn, has as its project receiving, making, and carrying out suggestions for improvements within the college.

The Farmville chapter of Kappa Delta Pi was particularly delighted when Dr. Dabney Lancaster, present State Superintendent of Schools, accepted its bid to become an honorary member. He was initiated by

Mary Hunter Edmunds, president of the chapter, on December 3.

The departmental honor organizations have made some very worthwhile contributions to the college. Beorc Eh Thorn, together with Pi Gamma Mu and the Dramatic Club, brought to the campus Dr. Charles Morgan, English novelist and dramatic critic, who was received with a great deal of interest and enthusiasm. Beorc Eh Thorn's programs this year are centering around recent Pulitzer Prize novels, plays,

and the study of poetry. Mr. Robert Coffin, New England poet and winner of the Pulitzer Prize for 1936, will be a guest speaker of the organization later in the year. May Wertz heads the organization.

Pi Gamma Mu, national Social Science fraternity, is under the leadership of Mary Lilly Purdum. The general topic for the year's program is: "The War, and How It Affects the United States." Various members of the group have been leading the discussions on this pertinent subject. Mardi Gras, sponsored annually by Pi Gamma Mu, will take place on February 14.

This year, Sigma Pi Rho, Latin honor organization, headed by Jane Lee Hutcheson, plans to edit a magazine containing news from the various chapters. This is being done instead of publishing the *Tributum*, literary paper, regularly published by the society. Sara Cline is the national editor of the 1941-42 publication.

Beta Pi Theta, the French Club on the campus, has been reorganized under the leadership of Jean Hatton. The year's project is that of bringing several French mov-

ies to Farmville for the benefit of students and others who are interested.

Gamma Psi expects to obtain an exhibit of paintings by Negro artists for the Browning Room of the Library. Anne Turner is president of the society.

The highlight of the fall for Alpha Kappa Gamma was the regional convention at Columbia College, Columbia, South Carolina. Ten members, accompanied by Miss Florence Stubbs and Mrs. Jane Royal Phlegar, attended the convention. Mary Katherine Dodson, president of the class of '42, was elected regional president of this national organization. Margaret Wright, present head of the Dramatic Club here on the campus, was made editor of the *Torchbearer*, the regional quarterly paper.

The school circus, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Gamma and held on Halloween night in the gym, offered fun and entertainment to both college girls and the people of Farmville. Later in the year, Alpha Kappa Gamma plans to sponsor a "Quiz Contest" with Hampden-Sydney College for the benefit of the Southside Community Hospital here in Farmville.

Field House, Hockey Field, Tennis Courts, and Longwood

Not many years ago at Farmville, the facilities for extra-curricular activities in certain athletics were inadequate. For a number of athletics such as basketball, swimming, and other indoor sports, the college provided adequate equipment, but for others, in proportion to the number of students, the equipment was meager.

Realizing that girls who participated in tennis should have as much chance to play as do those who enjoy other sports, the college provided four new tennis courts which took the place of the old hockey field—four courts, beautifully kept, surrounded by a sturdy wire fence, and constructed of materials which dry very quickly after a rain. With these new courts comes the hope of having a tennis team to represent Farmville in inter-collegiate tennis.

Since the tennis courts have taken the place of the old hockey field, a new and larger hockey field has been laid. This year, the varsity team was able to be hostess to a visiting team. With the new field, the Athletic Association will be able

to schedule more home games in hockey—home games which will arouse the interest of the entire student body.

This year the Athletic Council, which is composed of girls who manage the various sports in the college was given a little house which it could call its own. The Field House, for that is what it is called, is situated near the hockey field and tennis courts. It is an excellent place for A. A. meetings and for storage of athletic equipment. Each girl on the Council has her part in putting the house in order. Curtains are being made for the windows; pictures of past councils and teams are being collected; and racks for the equipment are being built.

Longwood has also had its share of improvements. With landscaping as the theme, a new circular driveway replaces the old one. This was done not only to beautify Longwood but for practical purposes also—to provide a way by which traffic may be handled on May Day and at large banquets. Brick walks lead to the house and the boxwoods have been moved to complete the plan of the formal garden.

Our Granddaughters

One hundred and fifteen alumnae have sent their daughters to their Alma Mater this year



First Row:

Jones, Elizabeth Ann; Maria Shugart
Keller, Polly; Mary Burton
Langhorne, Nancy; Lucy Kabler
Lee, Marjorie; Mable Jones
Lovins, Edith; Catherine Godsey
Lovins, Margaret; Catherine Godsey

Second Row:

McConnell, Clara Louise; Clara Mitchell
Marshall, Sue; Sallie Oliver
Massie, Dorothy; Winnie Coleman
Miller, Elaine; Violet Marshall
Morris, Virginia; Gladys Garnett
Neaves, Margaret; Carrie Mayes

Third Row:

Palmer, Mary Sue; Mary Sanders
Parker, Elizabeth Ann; Mary Elizabeth Codd
Parr, Cecile; Mary Cash
Patterson, Agnes; Perry Wilkenson
Phillips, Frances; Mary Elizabeth Messick
Phillips, Louise; Ann Estelle Ranson

Fourth Row:

Prossie, Hannah Louise; Norma Fisher
Quillen, Frances; Florence Williamson
Rainey, Frances; Louise Morris
Rippitoe, Marie; Marie Mapp
Robert, Lolita; Dolores Santini
Rountree, Leone; Hazel Bell Smith

Fifth Row:

Sanford, Jane; Patty Dyer
Sedgley, Virginia; Frances Pearson Kent
Seward, Sara; Mamie Davis
Sexton, Betty; Nena Lockridge
Shaffner, Josephine; Ada Smith
Shephard, Ethelyn; Edith Foster



First Row:

Abernathy, Virginia; Amorette Virginia
Daniel
Albright, Betty; Mildred Potts
Amnen, Rachael; Edna Price
Barksdale, Virginia; Lula Sutherlin
Beale, Allie; Allie Bryant
Bear, Margaret; Mary Porter White

Second Row:

Becker, Peggy; May Reynolds
Bell, Katie Bess; Bettie Carter
Blair, Bernice; Elizabeth Dickenson
Bondurant, Nancy; Nancy Johnson
Bridgeforth, Betty; Elizabeth Cunningham
Brown, Jane; Alice Howison

Third Row:

Bugg, Mary St. Clair; Clair Woodruff
Burke, Eugenia; Marie Hamner
Carson, Mary Owen; Kathleen Drinkard
Cheatham, Mary Lucille; Anne Mason
Clanton, Mildred; Mildred Carter
Claytor, Imogene; Emily Minnigerode

Fourth Row:

Clements, Pauline; Ellie Woody
Cobb, Mary Ann; Elizabeth Core
Coleman, Ida Mae; Elizabeth Love
Cottrell, Martha; Louise Farinholt
Crowgey, Emma Louise; Pearl Louise Ellett
Davis, Annie; Annie Barker

Fifth Row:

Davis, Lucy; Sue Adams
Davis, Roberta; Alice Healy
Davis, Betsey; Betsey Lemon
DeLong, Helen; Zelia Williams
Eason, Caroline; Carrie Rennie
Eason, Julia; Carrie Rennie

* Not pictured: Bourne, Rachael; Katherine Giddens



First Row:

East, Sarah; Louis Drumeller
Edmunds, Mary Plummer; Lucy Mellwaine
Edwards, Elizabeth; Clemmie Soles
Elett, Virginia; Carrye Mitchell
Engart, Ann; Patty Buford
Fitzgerald, Ann; Lillian Barnwell

Second Row:

Folk, Eleanor; Eleanor Jamison
Fortescue, June; Jessie Overton
Fulton, Alyce; Sadie Taylor
Gates, Elizabeth; Elizabeth Chappell
Grizzard, Mary Elizabeth; Marjorie
Matthews
Hardaway, Claudia; Claudine Moring

Third Row:

Hardaway, Molly Irbby; Virginia Irbby
Hardy, Helen Wiley; Elizabeth Jarman
Hardy, Jacqueline; Emily Margaret
Harrison
Hardy, Sarah; Elizabeth Jarman
Hayslett, Carolyn; Edna Rader
Hillsman, Hallie; Susie McCraw

Fourth Row:

Hillsman, Elizabeth; Susie McCraw
Hite, Martha; Cornelia Powell
Hobson, Jane; Elizabeth Verser
Hubbard, Jean; Ocie Hammock
Hughes, Faith; Mary Evelyn Baird
Hughes, Polly; Ettie Jones

Fifth Row:

Hutcheson, Grace; Mary Elizabeth White
Jarratt, Mary Ann; Elsie Davis
Jeffreys, Sara; Gay Pugh
Johnson, Elinor; Cornelia Gee
Johnson, Marilyn; Kathleen Nance
Johnson, Sara Elizabeth; Lemma Garrett



First Row:

Smith, June; Mary Emily Firth
 Smithdeal, Betty Gray; Cordie Fralin
 Spindler, Clare; Cecile Neal
 Stone, Gary Page; Annie Maria Gray
 Tennent, Elizabeth; Lurline Moring
 Trigg, Betsey; Retta Thompson

Second Row:

Trigg, Sara; Retta Thompson
 Turner, Shirley; Susie Robinson
 Upshur, Martha Ann; Lucile Snow
 Vaughan, Katherine; Katherine Harrell
 Walker, Elizabeth; Jane Allen (Grand-
 mother)
 Walker, Harriette; Ida Virginia Fretwell

Third Row:

Walmsley, Mary Stuart; Margaret Hiner
 Ware, Anne; Pearle Hundley
 Warner, Elizabeth; Ella Garnett Hundley
 (Grandmother)
 Watkins, Mary; Emma Webb
 Webb, Nannie; Lilia Simmons
 Weathers, Ella Banks; Annie Banks

Fourth Row:

White, Barbara; Genevieve Gresham
 Whittle, Ophelia; Ruth Percivall
 Wood, Edith; Lois Jenkins
 Wooding, Alice; Gabrielle Wooding
 Woodward, Mary Franklin; Edith Crystal
 Minor
 Zehmer, Mary Katherine; Harriett
 Wooldridge

Mary Peck's Message

IT is hard to write a strictly business note to you when my heart is full of memories that come teeming in as I recall the happy renewals of friendship I've experienced since you elected me your president last Founders Day. But I deem it wise to put before you very formally and frankly what appears to me an agenda that we ought all to consider before our next Homecoming Day—March 7th, rather than write you a letter.

This is Dr. Jarman's fortieth year of service in our Alma Mater. How can we best express our appreciation of him? Forty responses representing the forty classes would be great! Of course, the 1902, 1912, 1922, and 1932 classes will be in evidence on Founders Day, and so will the "1917-ers" who are to celebrate their twenty-fifth anniversary; but how about the classes of the intervening years?

The magazine this year goes out as a college bulletin. The plain truth is this: our Association is not yet able to finance the publication (\$600.00.) The Magazine Fund is a growing thing, however, thanks to Alpha Kappa Gamma for a contribution of \$100, to the June Class of 1941 that made a contribution of \$32.50, and to those of you who have included a subscription of 50c. Is the magazine worth 50c a year to you?

Three portraits will be hung before you come back next March—Dr. Eason's, Miss Smithey's, and Miss Parrish's. Whose portrait will you recommend and work for next? We have \$43.00 contributed for a marker at Mrs. Morrison's grave. Do you favor using this money for a portrait, since her family had other plans for the stone at her grave?

For a long time we Alumnae at Farmville have thought of getting our president from some other section of the state. Now that we have a better state alumnae organization and an efficient part-time secretary, Mrs. M. B. Coyner, don't you think the time has come to choose your president from some other place than Farmville? Speak your mind!

Do you know what scholarship funds are available here? Are you interested in any one of them? Would you like to start another? (See page 36.)

One of our girls—Theo Smith, recently sent us data concerning fifteen of our graduates. Through her thoughtfulness we were able to correct nine addresses on our files! Won't you help us?

Please act on this sheet of your magazine, also on page 37. At least you can tear out the lower section and mail it to us. Can't we break a record on this?

A Word About Business

Student Loan Funds

The morning program on Founders Day is motivated by the spirit of giving in our college. The theme used on every occasion has been designed and executed with the idea of portraying to the students, alumnae and friends in the audience the idea of mutual service and cooperative living in every branch of our Alma Mater. Our gifts to the college are a part of this program. As they are made, we renew again our feeling of loyalty and devotion to the institution that we love, and we pledge ourselves anew to the service for which our college stands in this commonwealth.

Since our college catalog does not reach all of our alumnae, it may be well to indicate through this issue of the Alumnae Magazine one branch of service that has been receiving attention through the years, and to which you may wish to contribute. For students who need financial assistance, there are fifteen loan funds available on proper security. They are as follows: U. D. C., D. A. R., Virginia Normal League, Cunningham Memorial, State Student Loan Fund, Mu Omega, Alpha Phi Sigma, Gamma Theta and Gamma Theta Alumnae, Tri-Sigma, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Jennie Masters Tabb Memorial, Junior Woman's Club, Pi Kappa Sigma, and Dramatic Club. It may be that you are interested in making a gift to one or more of these loan funds or that you may wish to see another loan fund started. If so, you will find the college appreciative, and there is no telling what good you may do.

The Virginia Normal League, founded in 1899 by Dr. Robert Frazer while he was president, has helped over two hundred girls to get a diploma or a degree from this school. It is the hope of the committee handling the Virginia Normal League Fund that Dr. Frazer's initiation of this loan-fund-idea may be commemorated by transferring the funds on hand to a Robert Frazer Memorial Fund. Can you suggest a better way to honor his service to our alumnae?

Unfinished Business

At the Business Meeting on last Founders Day, we discussed changing the definition of an active member of the association, as stated in the Constitution, from "one who pays her dues," to "one who contributes to her Alma Mater." It was voted to leave the matter for future study. At our Executive Board Meeting in November, a committee was appointed to study the practices of other colleges with the idea of reporting the results to you. The report is as follows:

The tendency of other colleges in our country is toward defining an active member of the Alumnae Association as one who contributes annually to her Alma Mater. This information was obtained by writing to a number of Alumnae Secretaries and from reports made at the Meeting of National Alumnae Secretaries in Columbia, South Carolina, this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Peck	Ruth Coyner
Mary C. Hiner	Grace Moran
	Carrie B. Taliaferro

Certainty

Still skeptic and logician try to prove,
Each in his way,
How vain a thing, how futile our faith
And still they say
That prayer is but a breath, a foolish cry
Lost on the wind—
I only know that asking, I receive,
And seeking, find.

With words precisely cool and logical
They think to show
There was no Man of Galilee, no Christ
Long years ago.
We but delude ourselves who think Him real
They both agree—
And yet I know that through one bitter night
He stood by me!

—Julia Johnson Davis
Class of 1910

Founders Day — Homecoming

(Please fill both sides of this blank)

- Do you expect to attend Founders Day celebration?
Do you wish a room in the dormitory?
Do you want a ticket for the Alumnae Luncheon Meeting on Saturday at one o'clock in Recreation Hall? (Price \$1.00.)
Shall we reserve a ticket for the piano recital in auditorium Saturday night?
Do you expect to attend the Longwood Tea at 4:30 Saturday afternoon?
Are you paying your state Alumnae dues (\$1.00), and magazine contribution through your local chapter, or will you enclose individual check in this letter?
Do you favor the proposed change of constitutional by-laws relative to financing our Alumnae Association? (See page 36).
Are you in favor of changing the Virginia Normal League Fund to a Robert Frazer Memorial Fund? (See page 36).
Your present name and address—home and business. (If married, please give us the name under which you registered at Farmville.)

Degree or diploma graduate?

Year?

News of your activities:

In Memoriam

Miss Mary Elizabeth Bagby, '26

Miss J. Nettie Forbes (graduate of
Farmville Female College before
1884)

Mrs. Mary Jackson Gould, '98

Mrs. Blanche Baldwin Hines, '93

Mrs. Martha Armistead Morton, '94

Miss Lillian Blanche Puryear, '19

Mrs. Eva Lamour Roderick, '13

Mrs. Parke Morris Wells, '13

Miss Alice Brooking Wheeler, '35

Miss Sue Bryant Woodward, '18

Ballot

Vote for one:

First Vice-President

Fannie Littleton Kline
Jane Royall Phlegar

Second Vice-President

Caralie Nelson
Margaret Stallard Wooling

Director

Carrie Rennie Eason
Carrie Hunter Willis

Vote for three.

Nominating Committee

Clara Nottingham Baldwin
Agnes Bondurant
Ruth Gleaves
Mary Clay Hiner
Mary Rives Richardson Lancaster
Louise Richardson

IMPORTANT: Please detach on perforated line and return to Mrs. M. B. Coyner, Box 123, Farmville, Virginia, as soon as possible.

Alumnae Directory

1885

Maiden Name	Married Name	Address
Blanton, Annie.....	Mrs. Firmer Barrett..	Deceased
Duncan, Lula.....	Mrs. J. M. Moir....	R.-I, Hardy, Va.
Philips, Lula.....		407 N. 12th, St., Richmond, Va.

1886

Anderson, Catherine M.....	c/f Mrs. B. D. Puryear, 2212 Memorial Ave., Lynchburg, Va.	
Blanton, Bessie.....	Mrs. Egbert R. Jones.....	Box Hill, Holly Springs, Miss.
Bugg, Fanny.....	Mrs. D. B. Blanton...	First Avenue, Farmville, Va.
Brightwell, Carrie....	Mrs. Carrie Brightwell Hopkins	Bedford City, Va.
Carruthers, Jean.....	Mrs. Jean Carruthers Boatwright	Deceased
Mapp, Madeline.....	Mrs. H. H. Barrow.....	Keller, Va.
McKinney, Loulie.....		165 S. Candler St., Decatur, Ga.
Parrish, Celestia S...		Deceased

1887

Berkeley, Martha....	Mrs. Richard Baxter Tuggle	1001 W. Franklin St., Richmond, Va.
Carson, Lelia.....	Mrs. Lelia Carson Flippen..	Deceased
Coleman, M. Alice....	Mrs. Alice Coleman Bethel	Address Unknown
Crews, Annie L.....		822 Hamilton Terrace, Baltimore, Md.
Davenport, Emma....		Deceased
Jeffress, Willie.....	Mrs. Newton Painter..	587 Eleventh Ave., Roanoke, Va.
Johnson, Julia.....	Mrs. J. D. Eggleston	Hampden-Sydney, Va.
Quinn, Sallie.....	Mrs. Sallie Quinn Dillard..	Deceased
Richardson, Emma....	Mrs. John Geddy..	Address Unknown
Ranson, Estelle.....	Mrs. Estelle Ranson Marchant	Deceased
Smithson, Beulah....		Deceased
Smithson, Fannie....		Deceased
Wicker, Katherine.....		Address Unknown
Whiting, Henry.....	Mrs. W. Y. Westervelt....	4103 N. Augustine State St., Jackson, Miss.

1888

Agnew, Mary.....		Deceased
Ball, Lula.....		New Kent C. H., Va.
Berkeley, Fannie.....		1901 W. Franklin St., Richmond, Va.
Campbell, Susie.....	Mrs. E. E. Hundley...	Farmville, Va.
Duncan, Mattie.....		Route 1, Hardy, Va.
Forbes, Marion.....		Deceased
Douglas, Carrie.....	Mrs. Carrie Douglas Arnold..	Deceased
Ferguson, M. Kate....	Mrs. W. F. Morehead	723 Mechlenburg Bldg., Phila., Pa.
Fuqua, Louise.....	Mrs. W. B. Strother.....	Deceased
Gurley, Annie	Mrs. Chase Carroll...	Baltimore, Md.
Haskins, Hallie H....		Deceased
Hix, Annie.....	Mrs. A. N. Earle	624 N. 16th St., Waco, Texas
Hubbard, Ida.....	Mrs. Ida Hubbard Giles....	Deceased
Hunt, Kate.....		Deceased
McLean, Mattie.....		Deceased
Martin, Rose.....		Deceased
Mosley, Blanche L....	Mrs. Blanche Mosley Cooke	Hanford, Va.

Phaup, Susie.....		Deceased
Pierce, Mary.....	Mrs. E. F. Watson..	Address Unknown
Thornhill, Anna.....		Deceased
Watts, Ida.....	Mrs. J. Howard Ritner	1001 Clay St., Lynchburg, Va.
Winston, Josie.....	Mrs. T. A. Woodson	528 Victoria Ave., Lynchburg, Va.
Winston, Lizzie.....		Deceased

1889

Boswell, Lucy.....	Mrs. A. P. Montague.....	Deceased
Chisman, Rosa.....		Address Unknown
Compton, Myra.....	Mrs. Myra Compton Allnut	Dawsonville, Md.
Hardy, Sallie.....	Mrs. Sallie Hardy McElveen	Workman, S. C.
Harris, Minnie.....	Mrs. Minnie Harris Atwell..	Deceased
Higginbotham,.....	Mrs. Will Chapman.....	Deceased
Lavalette		
Hill, Susie.....	Mrs. Susie Hill Dunn	Scottsville, Va.
Littleton, Fannie....	Mrs. Linus W. Kline..	Memory Lane Farm, R. 2, Box, 69, Charlottesville, Va.
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Payne, Ola.....		113 Altamont Circle, Charlottesville, Va.
Perkins, Mrs. Fannie.		Asheville, N. C.
Van Vort, Bertha....		3216 Monument Ave., Richmond, Va.
Walker, Fannie.....	Mrs. J. H. Long	Box 95, Tavares, Fla.

1890

Binswanger, Blanche..	Mrs. Lewis Rosendorf	Address Unknown
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Hortense		3301 W. Grace St., Richmond, Va.
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Coulling, Eloise.....		Deceased
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Eubank, Mamie.....	Mrs. J. B. Sinclair, Sr....	Deceased
McIlwaine, Anne.....	Mrs. William W. Dunn	1540 Monument Ave., Richmond, Va.
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Vaden, Sallie.....	Mrs. George Wray..	Address Unknown

1891

Duff, Madge.....		Address Unknown
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1892

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 Mitchell, Maggie....Mrs. Maggie Mitchell Bryan
 Deceased
 Neal, Florence.....Mrs. Florence Neal Ledbetter
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 1816 Monument Ave., Richmond, Va.
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 109 Plum St., Richmond, Va.
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 2321 W. Grace St., Richmond, Va.
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 King and Queen C. H., Va.
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 Todd, Ammie.....Mrs. Leon Ware....Staunton, Va.
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 32 Washington Square,
 New York City
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 Box 303, Farmville, Va.
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 West, Ella Mrs. C. W. Gray...Memphis, Tenn.
 Wingfield, Nora.....Mrs. W. N. Sebrell
 227 Cleveland Ave., Lynchburg, Va.
 Womack, Preston.....The Conard, Washington, D. C.

1893

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 Crump, Emily.....Mrs. Wm. Cabell Flournoy
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 Address Unknown
 Eggleston, Julia....Mrs. Fred C. Tower
 Address Unknown
 Gilliam, Sallie.....Mrs. Elmer Gilliam
 Address Unknown
 Gray, Mary.....Wiachester, Va.
 Hargroves, Alice....Mrs. G. C. Paine..Address Unknown
 Mapp, Ada.....Mrs. T. C. Guerrant
 Address Unknown
 Michie, Susie.....Deceased
 Morton, Nettie.....Mrs. Walker Scott.....Deceased
 Morton, Rosalie....Deceased
 Mosby, Merrimac....Deceased
 Rogers, Hattie.....Mrs. B. W. Jones...Churchville, Va.
 Steger, Mattie.....Curdsville, Va.
 Tabb, Jane M.....Deceased
 Turner, Bessie.....Staunton, Va.
 Walton, Lena.....Mrs. Lena Walton Roberts..Deceased
 Watson, Georgie....Mrs. Georgie Watson Copeland
 Deceased
 White, Mary.....Mrs. Mary White Pearson..Deceased
 Whitehead, Lilliao..Mrs. E. H. Russell.....Deceased
 Wicker, Belle.....Baiobridge, Ca.
 Willis, Eva.....Mrs. R. B. Cralle....Farmville, Va.
 Womack, Rose.....Mrs. William Hendersoo...Deceased

1894

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 Bland, Lola.....Gloucester, Va.
 Branch, Mabin.....Mrs. John C. Simpson
 114 Poplar St., Norfolk, Va.
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 Harris, Pauline.....Mrs. A. E. Richardson
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